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For: TEMPERATURE CONDITIONED LOAD LOCK, LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS
COMPRISING SUCH A LOAD LOCK AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A
SUBSTRATE WITH SUCH A LOAD LOCK

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08a. One copy of each non-U.S. reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.

The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information. U.S. 5,914,493; EP 1 282 157 A2; and JP 3-180023 were previously submitted on November 9, 2004 in an Information Disclosure Statement.

English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.

Respectfully Submitted,

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